AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended): A method of manufacturing a card comprising steps of:

    a)   processing a card;

    b)   verifying whether the card was completely or incompletely processed; ~~and~~

    c)   generating verification results indicating whether the card was completely or incompletely processed~~;~~ and

    d)   invalidating the card when the verification results indicate that the card was incompletely processed including modifying the card.

2. (original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

    the processing step a) includes printing an image on a surface of the card in accordance with print image data;

    the verifying step b) includes scanning the printed image and generating scanned image data corresponding to the printed image, and comparing the scanned image data to the print image data; and

    the verification results indicate that the card was completely processed when the scanned image data substantially matches the print image data, and indicate that the card was incompletely processed when the scanned image data does not substantially match the print image data.

3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended): The method of claim ~~3~~ 2, wherein modifying the card ~~the invalidating step d)~~ includes printing a voiding mark on the card over the image printed on the card in the processing step a).

5. (original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the processing step a) includes writing data to the card in accordance with card data;

the verifying step b) includes reading the data written to the card in the processing step a), and comparing the read data to the card data; and

the verification results indicate that the card was completely processed when the read data substantially matches the card data, and indicate that the card was incompletely processed when the read data does not substantially match the card data.

6. (currently amended): The method of claim 5, wherein modifying the card includes writing a voiding code to the card, the voiding code being indicative of an invalid card. ~~including d) invalidating the card when it is determined in the verifying step b) that the card was incompletely processed~~.

7. (canceled)

8. (original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the processing step a) includes writing data on a magnetic stripe of the card in accordance with card data;

the verifying step b) includes reading the data written to the magnetic stripe in the processing step a), and comparing the read data to the card data; and

the verification results indicate that the card was completely processed when the read data substantially matches the card data, and indicate that the card was incompletely processed when the read data does not substantially match the card data.

9. (currently amended): The method of claim 8, wherein modifying the card includes writing a voiding code to the magnetic stripe, the voiding code being indicative of an invalid card. ~~including d) invalidating the card when it is determined in the verifying step b) that the card was incompletely processed.~~

10. (canceled)

11. (original): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the processing step a) includes writing data to a memory chip of the card in accordance with card data;

the verifying step b) includes reading the data written to the memory chip in the processing step a), and comparing the read data to the card data; and

the verification results indicate that the card was completely processed when the read data substantially matches the card data, and indicate that the card was incompletely processed when the read data does not substantially match the card data.

12. (currently amended): The method of claim 11, wherein modifying the card includes writing a voiding code to the memory chip of the card, the voiding code being indicative of an invalid card. including d) invalidating the card when it is determined in the verifying step b) that the card was incompletely processed.

13. (canceled)

14. (currently amended): The method of claim 1 including de) logging the verification data for the card when it is determined in the verifying step b) that the card was completely processed.

15. (original): The method of claim 14, wherein the verification data includes a serial number that uniquely identifies the card.

16. (original): The method of claim 15 including reading the serial number from the card.

17. (currently amended): The method of claim 1 including de) logging the verification data for the card when it is determined in the verifying step b) that the card was incompletely processed.

18. (original): The method of claim 17, wherein the verification data includes a serial number that uniquely identifies the card.

19. (original): The method of claim 18 including reading the serial number from the card.

20. (canceled)

21. (currently amended): The method of claim ~~20~~ 1, wherein modifying the card ~~the voiding step~~ includes printing a voiding mark on the card using a printhead.

22. (original): The method of claim 21, wherein the voiding mark includes a plurality of lines.

23. (original): The method of claim 21, wherein the voiding mark substantially covers a surface of the card.

24. (original): The method of claim 21, wherein the voiding mark includes a word.

25. (currently amended): The method of claim ~~20~~ 1, wherein modifying the card ~~the invalidating step~~ includes writing a voiding code to the card, the voiding code being indicative of an invalid card.

26. (original): The method of claim 25, wherein the voiding code is written on a magnetic stripe of the card.

27. (original): The method of claim 25, wherein the voiding code is written to a memory chip of the card.

28. (currently amended): The method of claim 1 including d) validating the card when the card it is determined in the verifying step b) that it was completely processed.

29. (currently amended): The method of claim 28, wherein the validating step d) includes writing a validating code on a magnetic stripe of the card or to a memory chip of the card.

30. (currently amended): The method of claim 1, wherein:

the processing step a) is performed in accordance with a card processing job produced by an application; and

method including d) providing the verification results to the application.

31. (currently amended): A method of manufacturing a card comprising:

a)   printing an image on the surface of the card in accordance with print image data;

b)   scanning the image printed on the card to thereby generate scanned image data;

c)   comparing the scanned image data to the print image data; and

d)   generating verification results that indicate either that the card was completely processed when the scanned image data substantially matches the print image data, or that the card was incompletely processed when the scanned image data does not substantially match the print image data.; and

e)   invalidating the card when the verification results indicate that the card was incompletely processed including modifying the card.

32. (canceled)

33. (currently amended): The method of claim 32 31, wherein modifying the card the invalidating step e) includes printing a voiding mark on the card over the image printed on the card in the processing step a).

34. (currently amended): The method of claim ~~32~~ 31, wherein modifying the card ~~the invalidating step e)~~ includes writing a voiding code to a magnetic stripe or a memory chip of the card.

35. (currently amended): The method of claim 31 including ~~e)~~ validating the card when the verification results indicate that the card was completely processed.

36. (currently amended): The method of claim 35, wherein ~~the~~ validating the card ~~step e)~~ includes writing a validating code to a magnetic stripe or a memory chip of the card.

37. (currently amended): The method of claim 35, wherein ~~the~~ validating the card ~~step e)~~ includes printing a validating mark on the card.

38. (currently amended): A method of manufacturing a card comprising:
   a) writing data to the card in accordance with card data;
   b) reading the data that was written to the card;
   c) comparing the read data to the card data; and
   d) generating verification results that indicate that the card was completely processed when the read data substantially matches the card data, and indicate that the card was incompletely processed when the read data does not substantially match the card ~~data.~~; and
   e) invalidating the card when the verification results indicate that the card was incompletely processed including modifying the card.

39. (canceled)

40. (currently amended): The method of claim 39, wherein modifying the card ~~the invalidating step de)~~ includes writing a voiding code to the card, the voiding code being indicative of an invalid card.

41. (currently amended): The method of claim 38 40, wherein the voiding code data is written to a magnetic stripe of the card in the writing step a).

42. (currently amended): The method of claim 41 40, wherein the voiding code data is written to a memory chip of the card in the writing step a).

43. (currently amended): An identification card manufacturing system comprising:

a card input;

a card transport configured to receive individual cards at the card input and transport the cards along a card processing path;

a card processing component configured to process cards delivered by the card transport;

a card processing verification component configured to verify that the cards are either completely or incompletely processed; and

a controller configured to generate verification results that are indicative of whether the card was completely or incompletely processed;

a card accept output through which cards that are completely processed are discharged; and

a card reject output through which cards that are incompletely processed are discharged.

44. (original): The system of claim 43, wherein:

the card processing component is a printhead configured to print an image on a surface of a card delivered by the card transport in accordance with print image data;

the card processing verification component includes a scanner configured to scan the image printed on the card and generate scanned image data in response thereto; and

the controller is configured to compare the scanned image data to the print image data and generate the verification results, which indicate that the card was completely

processed when the scanned image data substantially matches the print image data, and indicate that the card was incompletely processed when the scanned image data does not substantially match the print image data.

45. (original): The system of claim 43, wherein:

the card processing component is a data writer configured to write data on the card in accordance with card data;

the card processing verification component includes a data reader configured to read the data written to the card; and

wherein the controller is configured to compare the read data to the card data and generate the verification results, which indicate that the card was completely processed when the read data substantially matches the card data, and indicate that the card was incompletely reprocessed when the read data does not substantially match the card data.

46. (original): The system of claim 45, wherein the card includes a memory chip, the data writer includes a chip encoder, and the data reader of the card processing verification component includes a chip reader.

47. (original): The system of claim 45, wherein the card includes a magnetic stripe, the data writer includes a magnetic stripe writer, and the data reader of the card processing verification component includes a magnetic stripe reader.

48. (canceled)

49. (canceled)

50. (original): An identification card manufacturing system comprising:

a card input;

a card transport configured to receive individual cards at the card input and transport the cards along a card processing path;

a printhead configured to print an image on a surface of a card delivered by the card transport in accordance with print image data;

a scanner in line with the card processing path and configured to scan the image on the surface of the card and generate scanned image data in response thereto; and

a controller configured to compare the scanned image data to the print image data and generate verification results that indicate either that the card was completely processed when the scanned image data substantially matches the print image data, or that the card was incompletely processed when the scanned image data does not substantially match the print image data.

51. (original): The system of claim 50, wherein the controller is configured to void cards that are incompletely processed.

52. (original): The system of claim 50 including a database containing a log of the verification results.

53. (original): The system of claim 50 including a card data reader configured to read a serial number that uniquely identifies the card, wherein the verification results include the serial number for each card.